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In re application of: John A. Salon, et al.

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For: DNA ENCODING A HUMAN MELANIN CONCENTRATING HORMONE RECEPTOR (MCH1) AND USES THEREOF

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X	Small entity status of this application under
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a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is enclosed.

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